Mountain Weather Forecast

Brecon Beacons National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 13 Oct 2023 until 23:59 on Saturday 14 Oct 2023

Forecast Issued on Friday 13 Oct 2023 at 05:40

Confidence: High for unsettled for much of Friday, improving late in the day, then colder with scattered showers Saturday, and largely settled from Monday.

Headline for Friday 13 Oct 2023: Overcast start with periods of rain, heavy at times. Turning mainly dry, bright late afternoon. Freezing level lowering later.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 13 Oct 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
Low Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Cloudy	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
90%	70%	70%	60%	10%	20%

Forecast for Friday 13 Oct 2023

Weather: Overcast through much of the morning with periods of rain, heavy at times and quite extensive hill fog. Rain may clear the far south of the park for a time this morning, the area of rain then returning southwards as it steadily clears by the evening. Some brighter spells developing towards the west late on. Isolated showers pushing in from the northwest later may push across Bannau Brycheiniog by midnight. Very strong winds at height through the morning with gales or severe gales and a risk of gusts to 60mph across highest routes. Winds easing through the afternoon, before strengthening late on re-introducing a risk of gales at height.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 20% or less, improving from the northwest to 80% by the evening.

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud with bases down to around 300m throughout the morning and much of the afternoon, with some temporary improvements to around 400-500m. Cloud will gradually lift and break by the evening as rain eventually clears. Moderate or poor visibility in rain, very poor in heavy or persistent rain.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	42/54 SW	40/49 SW	38/43 NW	25/29 NW	19/27 NW	18/25 NW	16/24 W
300	20/41 SW	18/37 SW	10/19 W	7/15 NW	8/21 NW	8/20 W	8/19 W
Valley	16/37 SW	16/35 SW	9/18 W	7/16 NW	7/21 NW	7/20 W	8/19 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	14/6	13/8	10/7	8/3	7/2	6/2	6/1
300	15/12	15/12	12/10	10/8	8/6	8/6	7/5
Valley	16/14	16/13	13/11	11/9	9/7	8/6	8/6
Freezing Level*	2700m	2600m	2800m	2600m	1300m	1300m	1300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Rain, at times heavy and persistent, will result in wet or slippery surfaces and likely lead to some watercourses becoming swollen. Gusts in excess of 50mph above 600m will give very difficult walking conditions, with progress highly impeded and a significant risk of being blown over. Severe wind chill developing across higher summits by the evening.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
02:00 on Fri 13 Oct 2023	19.6mm	38.2mm	40.4mm

Forecast for Saturday 14 Oct 2023

Weather: A cloudy morning with showers interspersed with brighter spells. Showery outbreaks heavier and more frequent across western areas of the park. Feeling cold with a wintry mix to showers possible across highest peaks. Brighter through the afternoon with showers easing.

Maximum wind: West 25-30mph with gusts 35-40mph initially, becoming northwest20-25 mph with gusts to 30mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops 600m: 60% in the west during the morning, otherwise 90%

Low cloud and visibility: Very good visibility, briefly moderate or poor in showers, very poor in any wintry showers. Banks of low cloud may cover routes in the west down to around 500m, mainly as showers push through. Cloud elsewhere remaining above summits.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 5 Celsius increasing 11 Celsius during the afternoon
At 600m: Plus 4 Celsius.
Freezing level: 1200 m lowering 800 m late in day

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